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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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1. (Previously Presented) A method, comprising :
determining a device context for a device associated with an identity, wherein said device context provides an availability status of said device;
determining an identity context for said identity, wherein said identity context provides an availability status of said identity;
determining an availability rule associated with said identity;
determining a true availability of said identity based, at least in part, on said device context, said identity context, and said availability rule; and
providing data indicative of said true availability of said identity.
2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving a request for information regarding true availability of said identity.
3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said determining said true availability of said identity includes determining availability of said identity via at least two different media channels.
4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising establishing said availability rule.
5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said providing data indicative of said true availability of said identity includes displaying an interface indicative of said availability.
6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5, wherein said interface identifies said identity.

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7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising determining said identity.

8 - 14. (Canceled)

15.(Previously Presented) An article of manufacture comprising:
a computer readable medium having stored thereon instructions which, when executed by a processor, cause said processor to:
determine a device context for a device associated with an identity, wherein the device context provides an availability status of the device;
determine an identity context for said identity, wherein the identity context provides an availability status of the identity;
determine an availability rule associated with an identity;
determine a true availability of said identity based, at least in part, on said device context, said identity context, and said availability rule; and
provide data indicative of said true availability of said identity.

16. (Previously Presented) A system, comprising:
a processor;
a communication port coupled to said processor and adapted to communicate with at least one device; and
a storage device coupled to said processor and storing instructions adapted to be executed by said processor to:
determine a device context for a device associated with an identity, wherein the device context provides an availability status of the device;
determine an identity context for said identity, wherein the identity context provides an availability status of the identity;
determine an availability rule associated with said identity;

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determine an availability of said identity based, at least in part, on said device context, said identity context, and said availability rule; and provide data indicative of said availability of said identity.

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said identity is associated with a plurality of devices.